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Mr. Brad Bradley
USEPA-HSRL-6J
77. W. Jackson
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Re: 1190400007 -- Madison County
Taracorp/NL Industries
Superfund/Tech

Dear Mr. Bradley,

This letter provides an IEPA response to a request to evaluate a proposal for treating a 100 to 200 ton sample from the slag pile at the Taracorp industrial facility. The proposed quantity of material is to ensure that a representative sample from within the slag pile is obtained in order to prepare an accurate cost estimate for remediating the entire slag pile. Treatment would consist of stabilization at the existing unit constructed to treat lead contaminated characteristic hazardous waste as part of the ongoing Rapid Response remedial action.

The IEPA RCRA Permit section has determined that since the slag pile is within the same area of contamination as the residential areas for which wastes are currently being treated, and the operating requirements have been established for treatment of wastes for the Rapid Response action, treatment of 100 to 200 tons would be allowed following the same criteria. Treatment of slag pile material does not constitute a change in waste stream, therefore no modification of the existing post-treatment special waste disposal permit will be necessary.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at 217/782-6760.

Sincerely,

Brian Culnan, Remedial Project Manager
Federal Site Management Unit
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cc: Larry Hoffman - OHM